

year-round Farmers Market, which attracts an average of 2,000 patrons every Saturday.

But as wonderful as it is to visit Millbrae, Mr. Speaker, it is an even greater delight to live there. I can personally attest to this, as I lived in the City for ten years and served as a member of the Millbrae School Board for eight years. Millbrae's spirit and energy represents the best our nation has to offer, and I am honored to invite my colleagues in this House to join me in congratulating Millbrae on the 50th anniversary of its incorporation.

TRIBUTE TO MARIO LOMBARDO
AND STEVEN NICHOLAS

HON. BILL PASCRELL, JR.

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 1998

Mr. PASCRELL. Mr. Speaker, I would like to call to your attention Mario Lombardo and Steven Nicholas, both of Haledon, New Jersey. Mario and Steve are being sworn-in as members of the Haledon Borough Council on Saturday, January 3, 1998.

Mario Lombardo has been a resident of the Borough of Haledon for 18 years. His family emigrated from Italy to the United States when he was nine years old. A graduate of Passaic Valley Regional High School, Mario has been a member of the Manchester Regional Board of Education for seven years, and has served as vice-president. He is a member and past president of the San Andrea Social Club; a member of the Passaic County Republican League; vice-president of the Haledon Independent Republican Organization; and, a member of the Board of Adjustment for the Borough of Haledon.

Mario has been a hair stylist since 1960 and is fluent in three languages. He is the proud father of three sons, Donald and twins, Mark and David.

Steven Nicholas has been a Haledon resident for 19 years. A graduate of the New Jersey Institute of Technology (NJIT), Steve is employed by Erasteel, Inc. where he is operations manager. He has been a member of the Haledon Board of Education for nine years and has served as president for four years and vice-president for two years. Additionally, Steve has served the P.A.L. (Police Athletic League) for six years.

Steve has also served on the Key Communications Committee of Manchester Regional High School, and was a committee member for the high school's Project Graduation.

Steve is married to the former Ida Fattorusso and is the proud father of Lisa, of William Paterson University, and Steven, of Manchester Regional High School.

Mr. Speaker, I ask that you join me, our colleagues, Mario and Steve's family and friends, and the Borough of Haledon in recognizing the many outstanding and invaluable contributions Mario Lombardo and Steven Nicholas have made to the community as they take office as Councilmen of the Haledon Borough Council.

IN MEMORY OF KERNAA D.
MCFARLIN

HON. CORRINE BROWN

OF FLORIDA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 1998

Ms. BROWN of Florida. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to recognize the contributions of a "most outstanding musician", Kernaa D. McFarlin.

At age eleven, Kernaa D. McFarlin began his career in Tampa, Florida under the tutelage of Captain Carey W. Thomas, retired director of bands at Florida A & M University. Later, he played in the Middleton High School Band and received a scholarship to Florida A & M upon graduation.

During his college years, he was the woodwind section leader in the band and orchestra. Kernaa credits Leander Kirksey with outstanding woodwind instruction. In 1943, Mr. McFarlin was inducted into the U.S. Army and soon became a member of the famous 92nd Infantry Division Band. During his military career, he attained the rank of Sergeant.

After leaving the army, Kernaa returned to Florida A & M where he participated in the college bands under the direction of William P. Foster. Because of Mr. McFarlin's experience and training, he was able to provide valuable assistance and leadership in the development of the newly re-activated college band program.

Upon graduation, Kernaa McFarlin was appointed to be the first official band director at Stanton Senior High in Jacksonville, Florida. During his tenure as the band director, he earned a Master's Degree from the New York University. McFarlin's bands amassed a total of nineteen consecutive years of superior ratings in the Florida Association of Band Directors and the Florida Bandmasters Association contests.

Other highlights of the achievements of this band include: being selected as Florida's representative at the 1964 New York World's Fair, participating in three Florida Governor Inaugural parades, and being selected by the Florida Department of Education in 1966 Midwest National Conference of Colleges and University Education's "Education is for All" convention. In 1966, Mr. McFarlin's Stanton High School band was recognized by the "Instrumentalist" magazine as one of the "highly regarded bands in the Southeast."

For the past twenty-seven years, Mr. McFarlin served as an honorary member and adjudicator of the Florida Bands Association. He received over fifty awards for musical excellence and community service.

Mr. McFarlin's achievements can best be described by his students who all echoed that "Mr. Mac" as they lovingly referred to him, not only taught them music, but character and Christian values necessary for successful living.

An award, "Most Outstanding Musician" was named in McFarlin's honor has been established at the Stanton Preparatory College Band and is given annually to the most deserving student.

The State of Florida has been fortunate to have shared the talents of Kernaa D. McFarlin.

Mr. McFarlin passed on December 21, 1997.

SALUTE TO OUR WINTER
OLYMPIANS

HON. RON KIND

OF WISCONSIN

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 1998

Mr. KIND. Mr. Speaker, the Olympics have a history of promoting national pride and memorable moments. Regardless of the sport or background, the Olympics bring out the best in athletes and brings our world together. A number of people from western Wisconsin made their mark in Nagano, each in their own unique way that epitomizes the nature of the games.

Mike Martino from La Crosse, WI received a bronze medal for ice sculpting at the Olympic Festival of the Arts in the Olympic Village. His sculpture, "Nature's Way," depicted a winter landscape of wind shaping the snow.

Curling had been an Olympic demonstration sport numerous times before, but this was the first time it was included as a medal sport. Although the team came one spot short of a bronze medal, Mike Peplinski from Eau Claire, WI was able to compete even though he has a rare kidney disease and is scheduled to receive a transplant.

By far the most memorable image of these past Olympics was when the women's hockey team won the first gold medal awarded for women's hockey. Karyn Bye, from River Falls, WI led the team in scoring through the games and was third overall in scoring out of all the teams participating. To see Karyn carry the flag after the gold medal victory inspired feelings of pride and captivation.

On behalf of the people of western Wisconsin, I would like to salute our Winter Olympians, Mike, Mike and Karyn. Their hard work, dedication, and love of country is an inspiration to everyone. These Wisconsin natives embody the true Olympic spirit, which makes them all winners.

IN HONOR OF THE FOUNDING OF
THE LEAGUE OF UNITED LATIN
AMERICAN CITIZENS (LULAC)

HON. LORETTA SANCHEZ

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Tuesday, February 24, 1998

Ms. SANCHEZ. Mr. Speaker, today I rise to honor the League of United Latin American Citizens on this their sixty-ninth birthday.

LULAC was founded in Corpus Christi, Texas in 1929 and is the oldest and largest Hispanic civil rights organization in the country. Since its beginning, LULAC has promoted the cause of Hispanic Americans in education, employment, economic development and civil rights. LULAC has established nationwide programs for educational attainment, job training, housing, scholarships, citizenship, and voter registration.

LULAC has adopted a legislative platform that promotes humanitarian relief for immigrants, increased educational opportunities for our youth, and equal treatment for all Hispanics in the United States and its territories, including the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

In every endeavor, LULAC has stood for the rights of individuals. Through community outreach, LULAC has touched the lives of thousands of Hispanic members of society.